

## **Richard F. Krochalis: Regional Administrator for Region 10**

Richard (Rick) F. Krochalis is the Regional Administrator of the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Region 10 office in Seattle, Washington. FTA Administrator Jennifer L. Dorn appointed him to this position in May 2002. In this position, Mr. Krochalis is responsible for the administration of FTA's capital, operating and planning programs in the four-state Western region, which includes Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska. In addition, he provides technical assistance to grantees and State, local and private sector officials on a wide range of matters affecting urban and rural transportation.



Prior to joining the FTA, Mr. Krochalis served as director of design, construction and land use for the city of Seattle from 1992 to 2002. In that position, he substantially improved the performance of Seattle's primary regulatory agency, which is responsible for land use and construction permitting, environmental review and enforcement activities. Under his direction, the agency refined its processes to use new technologies and techniques to enhance customer service, established public partnership agreements to guide capital project development and provided leadership for local and state regulatory reform and housing initiatives.

From 1972 until 1992, Mr. Krochalis served as a Civil Engineer Corps officer in the U.S. Navy in a series of facilities construction and management positions, including deputy public works director, Great Lakes Naval Training Center, planning and real estate director for the Navy's West Coast operations and program manager for development of the Navy homeport at Everett, WA.

Mr. Krochalis holds a master's degree from Harvard University in city and regional planning and a bachelor's degree from Cornell University in environmental systems engineering. He is a past President of the Washington State City Planning Directors Association, past Board President of Sustainable Seattle, Co-Chair of the University of Washington's College of Ocean and Fisheries Science Capital Campaign Committee and a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners, Dean's Advisory Committee, College of Architecture, Art and Planning, Cornell University and the Urban Land Institute.

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